

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Application Serial No. 10/665,732  
Attorney Docket No. Q77603

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1-11. (canceled).

12. (previously presented): A liquid ejecting apparatus, comprising:  
a carriage, reciprocating;  
a liquid ejecting head, mounted on the carriage, and having a nozzle forming face from which liquid is ejected; and  
a wiping member, wiping the nozzle forming face in accordance with a movement of the carriage,  
wherein the wiping member includes:  
a body part;  
a wiping part, formed at a tip of the body part for abutting the liquid ejecting head; and  
a plurality of support parts, supporting the body part; and  
wherein the support parts are provided on a face of the wiping part that is opposite to a wiping face of the wiping part which the liquid ejecting head abuts.

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13. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 12, wherein the support parts are formed such that a sectional area of each of the support parts parallel with a bottom face of each of the support parts becomes smaller toward the tip from the bottom face.

14. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 12, wherein the support parts have an elastic coefficient larger than that of the wiping part.

15. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 12, wherein the support parts have the same elastic coefficient as that of the wiping part.

16. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 12, wherein the support parts have cone shapes.

17. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 12, wherein the support parts have pyramid shapes.

18. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 12, wherein the support parts have triangular pole shapes.

19. (previously presented): A liquid ejecting apparatus, comprising:

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a carriage, reciprocating;

a liquid ejecting head, mounted on the carriage, and having a nozzle forming face from which liquid is ejected; and

a wiping member, wiping the nozzle forming face in accordance with a movement of the carriage,

wherein the wiping member includes:

a body part;

a wiping part, formed at a tip of the body part for abutting the liquid ejecting head; and

a support part, supporting the body part; and

wherein the support part is formed such that a sectional area of the support part parallel with a bottom face of the support part becomes smaller toward the tip from the bottom face.

20. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 19, wherein the support part is provided on a side face of the wiping part.

21. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 20, wherein the side face of the wiping part is a face opposite to the face which the liquid ejecting head abuts.

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22. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 19, wherein the support part has an elastic coefficient larger than that of the wiping part.

23. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 19, wherein the support part has the same elastic coefficient as that of the wiping part.

24. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 19, wherein the support part has a cone shape.

25. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 19, wherein the support part has a pyramid shape.

26. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 19, wherein the support part has a triangular pole shape.

27. (previously presented): The liquid ejecting apparatus as set forth in claim 19, wherein the support part is a plurality of support parts.